

**Amendments to the Abstract**

**Kindly replace the original abstract with the enclosed substitute abstract.**

The present invention relates to a fluidized-bed gasification furnace which can rapidly discharge incombustibles contained in a fuel, together with a fluidized medium. The fluidized-bed gasification furnace utilizes a fluidized-bed reactor and comprises a discharge port (16) provided in the vicinity of the floor in a fluidized bed for discharging a fluidized medium and connected to a fluidized medium discharge chutes (20a to 20d) extending downwardly, and a gas blow device (13) provided below the chutes.